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**RESPONSE (AMENDMENT) TO OFFICE ACTION**

Honorable Commissioner:

Applicant has received an office action with a mailing date of October 5, 2004.

This paper is intended to be fully responsive to each of the points made by the Examiner in the office action. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and favorable consideration of the present claims.

This paper has been prepared in the "revised format" as outlined in an article entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Not Permitted" posted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office website January 31, 2003.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

**Amendment "D"**